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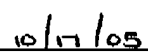
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In response to the Office Action mailed on August 18, 2005, with the period for response having been extended herein to October 18, 2005, by payment of the requisite fee for a Petition for Extension of Time under 37 C.F.R. §1.136(a), please enter this amendment and consider the following remarks:

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